

of longer devices such as guide wires, catheters and endoscopic devices.

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The amendment to claim 28 has been made so as to overcome an inadvertent typographical error. A further action on the merits is respectfully requested.

If any fees are required in connection with this case, it is respectfully requested that they be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-0184.

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